

*AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS*

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of simultaneously preventing treating hearing loss ~~of retro-cochlear origin caused by epilepsy~~, and epileptic seizures, the method comprising prophylactically administering to a subject in need thereof vinpocetine, in a sufficient amount for simultaneously inhibiting auditory tract alterations linked to the hearing loss and seizures.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, comprising preventing treating hearing loss ~~of retro-cochlear origin caused by epilepsy~~, characterized by inhibiting an increase in auditory threshold.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, comprising preventing treating epileptic seizures, characterized by inhibiting epileptic cortical activity for ictal and post-ictal periods.

5 - 8. (Canceled)